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SUBJECT: REPORTS LAINO MAY BE EXILED

- 1. WE HAVE RECEIVED SEVERAL REPORTS FROM CIVILIAN AND MILITARY SOURCES THAT GOVERNMENT HARDENED ITS LINE OVER THE WEEKEND AND MAY NOW BE PLANNING TO EXILE LAINO. THIS SUGGESTS HARD-LINERS HAVE OVERCOME INCLINATION TO ACQUIT LAINO FOR LACK OF EVIDENCE OR RELEASE HIM PENDING FURTHER INVESTIGATION. EXILE FOR LAINO WOULD BE AN UNFORTUNATE DEVELOPMENT. APPEARANCE OF WOLA REPRESENTATIVES MAY COMPLICATE THE GOVERNMENT'S CASE, HOWEVER, BECAUSE IF WILLIAM BROWN AND JO MARIE GRIESGRABER SUCCEED IN MAKING LAINO'S CONNECTION WITH THEM SEEM INNOCENT, GOP MAY BE FORCED TO BASE EXPULSION ON AN OLD CHARGE, ONE FOR WHICH HALF-DOZEN OTHER ACCUSED PERSONS ARE NOT BEING SENT INTO EXILE.
- 2. DURING DCM'S INITIAL CALL JULY 25 ON UNDERSECRETARY FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS BARRIERO MAFFIODO, ARRIVAL OF WOLA REPRESENTATIVES WAS BROUGHT TO GOP'S ATTENTION IN MATTER-OF FACT MANNER. BARREIRO SEEMED QUITE SURPRISED AND SAID HE WOULD BE IN TOUCH IMMEDIATELY WITH INTERIOR MINISTER MONTANARO. UNTIL NOON TODAY, THEREFORE, THE GOVERNMENT SEEMED COMPLETELY UNAWARE THAT WOLA OFFICIALS HAVE BEEN HERE SINCE YESTERDAY AFTERNOON. WHITE

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